



A Proud Past A Bright Future

Office of the City Manager

Memorandum

To: Mayor and Commissioners
From: Steve Corbitt, City Manager
Date: January 21, 2010
Re: City of Ashland – Calendar Year 2009

Significant Events:

Financial Control – The City of Ashland operated under budget in 2009. Historical over budget areas (Fire and Police) were targeted and operated under budget without a reduction in personnel or services. Net elimination of over 20 positions over the past 3 years and additional revenues (New utility customers and grants) plus increased control by Department Heads contributed to positive financial results. \$1,107,707 received in Federal Stimulus Funds.

\$34,479,900 in Construction – (commercial, residential and infrastructure) permitted, started and/or completed in the City of Ashland including the paving of 31 Streets. +8%.

River Front Park – Bid awarded and construction starting in March of 2009. Target is to be ready for Summer Motion 2010

Police Station –Construction 95% complete. Dedication in February/ March 2010.

Ashland Cemetery –Acquired by City September 1, 2009 including 4 new full-time employees. Appointed Cemetery Board, 128 burials in 2009 (41 since September). Renovations to Cemetery Office, added water services, purchased pickup truck, tree trimming and stump removal.

Ashland Bus System Reorganization –including replacement of two (2) buses (now all buses have blue and green paint), review and designated bus stops for all routes, installed 225 new bus stop signs, installed bike racks on two (2) buses, remodeling and beautifying the Transportation Center and eliminating the Transportation Manager position.

Housing Voucher Choice Program Improvements Moved offices to the Transportation Center and expanded operating hours, increased Housing Choice Vouchers and number of families served, added project-based vouchers for Harbor Hill, received 100% on Section 8 Management Program. HUD status changed from STANDARD to HIGH performing agency.

Employee Benefits –Added Dental Insurance and Wellness benefits at no additional cost to the Employee.

Awards Received: (1) Certificate of Achievement for Excellence in Financial Reporting award received by the Finance Department for the 2nd year in a row and (2) Excellence in Control Authority of Waste Water Pretreatment received by the Sewer Treatment Division and only received by one system in Kentucky and Tennessee.

Summer Motion - move to Central Park was a big success

Repair Affair - Completed 500th Project this year

Baseball Documentary “Ashland Field of Dreams”: filmed at Central Park and shown at the Paramount.

Winter Wonderland of Lights & Christmas Parade

Poage Landing Days

Launched new “ASHLANDKY.GOV” website

Performance Statistics:

City of Ashland:

• Commercial Construction Permitted, Started and/or Completed +24%	\$30,903,850
• Infrastructure Construction Permitted, Started and/or Completed	\$ 2,452,000
• Residential Construction Permitted, Started and/or Completed	\$ 1,134,000
• Federal Stimulus Funds received	\$ 1,107,707

Police:

• Responses to Calls for Service	27,254
• Traffic Citations Issued	3,999
• Parking Citations Issued	3,762
• Arrests +22%	2,483
• Drug Related Arrest	396
• Vehicle crashes -9%	958
• Labor Agreement Negotiated with the FOP	Years 2

Fire:

• Responses to Calls +4%	1,760
• Adults and children attended 58 scheduled fire safety tours/lectures	1,700
• Life Safety Code Inspections conducted	1,211
• Smoke Detectors installed	35

Engineering & Utilities:

• Drinking Water Treated and Delivered without Violations.	Gallons	4,099,628,000
• Sewage Water Collected and Treated without Violations	Gallons	2,229,000,000
• New Sewer Lines Installed	Feet	4,163
• New Water Lines Installed	Feet	2,142
• Water Leaks Repaired		876
• Water Service Lines: installed, renewed or removed		310
• Fire Hydrants Repaired		56
• Water Taps Added (1,600,000 Gallons of Water Annual Usage)		27
• Sewer Taps Added (1,260,000 Gallon of Sewage Annually)		21
• City Streets Paved	Miles	6

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Community Development:

• Property Maintenance Inspections +16%		3,511
• Property Maintenance Violation Notices Issued		1,629
• Property Maintenance Violation Notice Compliances		913
• Property Maintenance Citations issued		603
• Houses / Structures currently condemned		53
• Houses / Structures demolished		25
• Housing Units Rehabilitated		19
• New Housing Units built		3

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Public Works:

• Residential Garbage/Trash Picked Up Hauled to Landfill. -13%	Pounds	17,426,240
• Debris / Trash from Streets Hauled to Landfill. +26	Pounds	6,146,000
• Recycle Material Collected in 20 Bins at 4 locations +8%	Pounds	684,720
• Animal Control Calls +12%		1,828
• Animals to Boyd County Shelter		390
• Repairs made on City vehicles and bus fleet		1,715
• New storm drain pipe and 15 catch basin	Feet	1,468
• Paint for Streets Centerline and Curb Paintings	Gallons	1,260
• Parking meters repaired		264
• Traffic Signs prepared and Installed		402

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Legal:

• Ordinances prepared and presented		166
• Resolutions prepared and presented		39
• Cases currently pending in Boyd District & Circuit Courts		106
• Liens Filed Against Property for Code Enforcement Violations		26

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Finance, Mass Transit, Section 8:

• Bus Passengers	152,000
• Internet payment usages +20%	5,263
• New Utility customers	947
• Housing Choice Voucher in use	525
• Housing Choice Voucher waiting list.	215
• Business Licenses issued to new businesses	316
• Section 8 Management Assessment Program certification +19%	100%
• Finance Delinquent Tax Collection Rate (Last 10 Years)	99%
• New Mass Transit buses received	2
• New Mass Transit vans received	2

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Parks & Recreation:

• Revenue in the Central Park Brick Donation Program	\$ 12,490
• Dawson Pool	6,050
• Ice Skating Rink Skaters	2,100
• Soccer Games / Practices	775
• Baseball Games / Practices	730
• Softball Games / Practices	325
• Activity Room Rentals	105
• Permits issued for Special Events by the City Commission	57
• Weddings at Central Park	55
• Log Cabin Rentals	45
• Dawson Pool Rentals	40
• Scheduled Events at the Bandstand	30
• Scheduled Events at the Pond	12
• Memorial and Labor Day Concerts	10

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City Clerk / Human Resources:

• Applications	551
• Written Test	252
• Interviews	138
• New Employees Hired	41
• Employees Promoted	26
• Employees Left City (7 Retirements, 9 Resignations, 5 Termination)	21
• Positions Eliminated	1

City of Ashland Projects:

- Police Station Design – Construction nearly complete.
- Riverfront Development – Awarded bid construction to be complete in 2010.
- CSO Long Term Control Plan under development with Strand Engineering
- Phase II Storm Water Permit Application submitted - HDR/Quest Engineering
- Transportation Center Second Floor Upgrade out for re-bid
- Morgan Avenue road widening and sidewalk project – **Complete**
- Library Commons - installed rubberized cover on fountain – **Complete**
- Replaced filter media at Water Plant in 6 of 6 filters – **Complete**
- Installed emergency generator at Roberts Drive pump station – **Complete**
- Installed emergency generator at 6th Street pump station – **Complete**
- Upgrade at 10th Street pump station – **Complete**
- Installed flow meter at all CSO outlets per EPA requirement – **Complete**
- Replacement of 600' of 18" sewer pipe at Oliverio Park – **Complete**
- T.R. Wright Press box and Dugout construction at CP-1 – **Complete**
- Hurricane Rd 700' sanitary sewer replaced, grinder pump removed – **Complete**
- Long Branch sanitary sewer replaced design – **Complete**
- 10th Street sewer pump station drawings for pump replaced – **Complete**
- Griffith Street 728' of 8" sanitary sewer replaced – **Complete**
- Putnam Street 2,400' sanitary sewer 18" replaced – **Complete**
- Blackburn Avenue (old 45th Street) 154' of 18" sanitary sewer replaced – **Complete**
- Installed flow monitors at 19 CSO discharge points as required by EPA – **Complete**
- Painted the Hogsten and Foothills (Skyline Drive) Elevated Tanks – **Complete**
- New City Parking Lot Greenup Avenue and 17th Street – **Complete**
- Upgraded Water Booster Stations with new pumps, electrical...etc. – **On Going**

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Special Events & Activities:

1. Summer Motion at Central Park
2. Poage Landing Days
3. Winter Wonderland of Lights
4. Christmas Parade
5. Chili Fest
6. New Year's Eve Celebration, 250 participants
7. Trick or Treat at Central Park, 2,200 participants
8. Easter Egg Hunt at Central Park, 300 participants
9. Donkey Derby, 300 attendance
10. Martin Luther King Jr. March
11. Walk America
12. Arbor Day
13. Central Park Tennis Lessons
14. Bellefonte Tennis Classic
15. Booker T. Washington Festival
16. Kentucky Creative Club Arts Show, 49th Annual
17. Boyd County Health Dept. Longest Day of Play
18. Melodies and Masterpieces
19. Holy Family Festival and 5K Run
20. Second Chance Organ Donor Walk
21. Festival of Trees and Trains
22. Jamie's Sake Foster and Adoption Center
23. CASA Relay for Kids
24. Safe Harbor of Northeast Kentucky
25. Pathway, Kids Now Plus Program for Fetal Alcohol Syndrome
26. Ashland Main Street Concert
27. Guillian Barre Syndrome Walkathon
28. I Believe Foundation Walkathon
29. Front Street Reunion Block Party
30. Alzheimer Association Memory Walk
31. Two Hearts Pregnancy Care Center, Chain of Life
32. Pregnancy and Infant Loss Support Group
33. Lifesong Church, Free Sports Camp
34. South Ashland Family Resource Center, Family Summer Program
35. The Crossing Student Ministries Youth Rally
36. National Night Out

Special Events & Activities: (continued)

37. Girl Scouts of KY Wilderness Road Council, Swimming Lessons
38. First Presbyterian Church, 190th Birthday Celebration
39. US 23 Country Music Highway Road Rally
40. Girl Scouts of KY Wilderness Road , Recruitment Rally
41. Walking Warriors, Volleyball Tournament
42. Calvary Episcopal Church St. Francis Day, Blessing of Pets
43. Cystic Fibrosis Walk
44. Surgical Weight Loss Program
45. Kentucky Army National Guard Freedom Salute
46. Ironton-Lawrence Co. Head Start Family Fun Day
47. Holt Street Block Party
48. Ashland Chalk Walk
49. Durbin Nazarene Church – 3rd Annual Holy Palooza
50. Edgewood Ave. Block Party
51. Catlettsburg Church of God Clothing Closet
52. First United Methodist Church, Fall Kick-off
53. Christian Faith Outreach Youthbash
54. Ashland Main Street, Oktoberfest
55. Gateway Church, Community Trunk or Treat
56. American Legion Post 76 Patriotic Walk
- 57. Walking in Wonderland**

Sidewalks and Curbs Installed:

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| 1. 23 rd St. | Central Ave. to RR Alley |
| 2. 26 th St. | Lexington Ave. to May Ct. |
| 3. Blackburn Ave. | Patton St. to Hunt St. |
| 4. Blackburn Ave. | Ackley Ave. to Hyman Ave. |
| 5. Bradley Dr. | Curb repair |
| 6. Carter Ave. | 1800 block |
| 7. Crooks St. | Payne St. to Moore St. |
| 8. Forest Ave. | Forest Ct. to Elmwood Ave. |
| 9. Linden Rd. | Blackburn Ave. to Cactus St. |
| 10. Morgan Ave. | Patricia St. 1400' north |
| 11. Winchester Ave. | 11 th St. at corner |
| 12. Winchester Ave. | 16 th St. to 17 th St. spot repairs |

75/25 Sidewalks and Curbs Projects

1. 1417 Lexington Ave.
2. 1622 Beverly Blvd.
3. 1701 Winchester Ave.
4. 1818 Hilton Ave.
5. 2267 Griffith St.
6. 2421 13th St.
7. 539 Blackburn Ave.

Roads Paved in 2009

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| 1. 17 th Street | Greenup Ave. to Carter Ave. |
| 2. 26 th Street | Lexington Avenue to Bath Ave. |
| 3. 39 th Street | Winchester Ave. to Queen St. |
| 4. 6 th Street | Clements Dr. to Blackburn Ave. |
| 5. Alley (16 th to 17 th) | Between Greenup Ave. and Winchester Ave. |
| 6. Alley (23 rd to 24 th) | Between Hilton Ave. and Lexington Ave. |
| 7. Alley | S. 29 th St. to Poage School |
| 8. Bath Avenue | 25 th St. to 26 th St. |
| 9. Beech Street | S. 29 th St. to Ranch Rd. |
| 10. Blazer Boulevard | Floyd St. to Berry St. |
| 11. Bryan Street | 13 th St. to Dead End |
| 12. Carter Avenue | 13 th St. to 16 th St. |
| 13. Central Avenue | 13 th St. to 17 th St. |
| 14. Evans Street | S. 29 th St. to Adams Ave. |
| 15. Fannin Drive | Kilgore Dr. to Dead End |
| 16. Forgey Street | Norwood Ave. to Dead End |
| 17. Frankie Street | S. 29 th St. to Dead End |
| 18. Front Street | 17 th St. to 18 th St. |
| 19. Greenbriar Rd. | Patch at Boy Scout Rd. |
| 20. Highland Avenue | 13 th St. to Lucille St. |
| 21. Kansas Street | S 29 th St. to Verity M. School |
| 22. Kilgore Drive | Stratton Dr. to Fannin Dr. |
| 23. May Court | All |
| 24. McKinley Street | 13 th St. to Dead End |
| 25. Montgomery Ave. | 25 th St. to May Ct. |
| 26. Morgan Avenue | Patricia St. to Stewart Ave. |
| 27. Nottingham Court | Sherwood Dr. to Royale Ct. |
| 28. Reeves Blvd. | Debord Hill Rd. to Kilgore Dr. |
| 29. Skyline Drive | Patch at Foothills Ct. |
| 30. Stella Drive | 13 th St. to Dead End |
| 31. Stratton Drive | Kilgore Dr. to Dead End |

New Residential Construction Projects:

<u>Address</u>	<u>Value</u>	<u>Type</u>
1. 3163 Mason Street	\$100,000	New duplex
2. 3244 Short Street	\$ 75,000	New house
3. 3240 Short Street	\$ 75,000	New house
4. Lot 100 Peachtree Road	\$120,000	New house
5. 301 Spring Street	\$ 70,000	New house
6. 1730 Madison Street**	\$ 87,000	New house
7. 3237 Pinehaven Drive	\$ 80,000	New house
8. 365 Ferry Street**	\$ 89,000	New house
9. 834 East Street	\$110,000	New house
10. 327 Barber Road**	\$ 92,800	New house
11. 2231 Broad Street	\$130,000	New 4-unit apt
12. 2320/2330 Broad Street	\$ 95,000	New duplex

**Pollard Revitalization homes

New Commercial Construction Projects:

<u>Address</u>	<u>Value</u>	<u>Type</u>
1. 2825 Central Avenue	\$ 100,000	Interior renovation
2. 1305 Boy Scout Road	\$ 80,000	New building
3. 1672 Beech Street	\$ 359,000	New building
4. 500 Winchester Avenue	\$ 750,000	Alt. of anchor store
5. 201 17th Street**	\$ 4,500,000	Police station
6. 4380 13th Street	\$ 40,000	Addition
7. 3301 13th Street	\$ 98,000	New tenant space
8. 2910 Carter Avenue	\$ 500,000	New building
9. 500 Winchester Avenue	\$ 250,000	Tenant space alt.
10. 1300 Central Avenue	\$ 1,627,843	Addition
11. 121 16th Street, Suite 3	\$ 23,000	Interior alteration
12. 1539 Greenup Avenue	\$ 50,000	Interior alteration
13. 236 16th Street	\$ 30,000	Interior alteration
14. 500 Winchester Avenue	\$ 452,000	Tenant space alt.
15. 855 Central Avenue	\$ 1,962,000	Interior alteration
16. 427 13th Street	\$ 112,000	Interior alteration
17. 500 Winchester Avenue	\$ 168,000	Tenant space alt.
18. 219 20th Street	\$ 23,000	Interior alteration
19. 2930 Carter Avenue	\$ 415,000	New building
20. 2215 Hilton Avenue	\$ 2,087,800	New building
21. 416-424 Riverhill Drive	\$ 722,205	New building (shell)
22. 3315 13th Street	\$ 54,000	New tenant space
23. Riverfront**	\$10,000,000	New Port of Ashland
24. KDMC	\$ 6,500,000	New building

Demolitions: (52 Structures Condemned)

1. 1731 Miller Street
2. 2716 Hilton Avenue
3. 332 27th Street
4. 3237 Pinehaven Drive
5. 1905 Hilton Avenue
6. 3300 Central Avenue
7. 201 47th Street
8. 2500 Greenup Avenue
9. 3028/3032 Railroad Avenue
10. 2136 Sellars Street
11. 2821 Moore Street
12. 854 Central Avenue
13. 834 East Street
14. 2225 Winchester Avenue
15. 3122 Simpson Road
16. 1320 Central Avenue
17. 1608 Poplar Street
18. 3300 Greenup Avenue
19. 2143 Horne Street
20. 1407 Cypress Street
21. 1409 Cypress Street
22. 1413 Cypress Street
23. 1310 Ramey Street
24. 2021 Greenup Avenue
25. 1417 Nichols Place

